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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR

COMPARING ACCESS CONTROL LISTS FOR CONFIGURING A SECURITY POLICY

ON A NETWORK

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## REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed November 14, 2005, the shortened statutory period for which runs until February 14, 2006, please reconsider the subject application in view of the remarks below.